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Hi David,

We are scheduled to pre-brief Alex this Wednesday at 2:30 to get her up to speed on issues in the ME WQS litigation. Given various vacation schedules, it's the one time she and her legal team in the Region are all available. OGC is more than welcome to join that discussion if you like.

I'm attaching a preliminary regional draft of the briefing paper the team has started to assemble to frame up substantive and procedural options for handling the Remand. This version collects much of the language we've been using, adding ideas that have arisen in prior briefings.

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Staff in OW and OGC has seen it quickly, and think it is useful, but we all agree it may need more word-smithing. We were thinking to use this paper as the briefing document for Alex, with caveats pasted all over it that it is a Regional draft on not fully-formulated. Steve suggested that you should have a chance to see it first and let us know if you're comfortable using it that way.

If you're not, we would use the paper from last week which points to the issues outline in the attached without as much detail about options and sub options, which we would discuss verbally.

Please let us know how you would like us to proceed with Alex.

Thanks, Tim

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